



THURSDAY EVENING, DEC. 17, 1908.

THE Episcopal Council which met in this city yesterday made no mistake in elevating Rev. Herman Green to the bishopric. We have biblical authority that the prayers of the righteous avail much. During the past month a prayer has been offered in all the churches in the diocese that the delegates to the council be spiritually guided in the selection of a bishop and this prayer seems to have been answered in the fullest measure and of course proves the righteousness of those who offered it. Mr. Green possesses every qualification that befits a bishop. He is in the prime of life; is a scholar; a fine preacher; is broad in his views and sympathies and commands not only the respect but the love of all with whom he is thrown. He filled most acceptably the rectorship of Christ Church, this city, leaving here to accept a professorship at the Theological Seminary, which place will be difficult to fill should he decide to accept the bishopric.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT in speaking of the work by Augustus Saint Gaudens, at the Corcoran Gallery of Art, in Washington on Tuesday night, said that in addition to being a great sculptor, Saint Gaudens had given the American people a coinage "not yet properly appreciated," but which was "an addition to the sum of art of all the nations." By most people the new coins were thought not to compare in beauty with the old ones, while many others consider them abortions. Mr. Roosevelt, however, is very contemptuous of those who differ with him on the subject and it would not be surprising if he sent another message to Congress abusing all those who dissent from his view of the new coins.

VENISON was selling, not long ago, in Vermont for 8 cents cheaper than good beef, for the slaughter of deer was unprecedented this year. The usual bag for the state is about seven hundred and fifty, but careful estimates indicate that upward of two thousand deer have been killed. As the meat cannot be taken from the state except by a hunter from out of the state who has paid a \$15 license fee, most of it remained to afford cheap living while it lasted.

SIXTEEN deaths may fairly be charged to this year's big game hunting season in Maine, which closed tonight. Thirteen persons were killed by the accidental discharge of firearms or by being shot in mistake for deer, one man received fatal wounds from falling on his hunting knife and two were drowned while hunting. Many were more or less seriously hurt. Deer hunting in Maine has become almost as dangerous as the football game.

EXPERTS estimate that the telephone war in progress between the Bell company and the so-called "independents" during the last twelve years has cost more than a hundred million dollars. If all this money had not been spent in litigation possibly telephone subscribers would get [their service at much less cost than at present.

From Washington.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.] Washington, Dec. 17. President Elect Taft will stop in Washington this afternoon for a conference with President Roosevelt en route from New York to Augusta, Ga., where he will spend the next two months. It is understood that the two will discuss a number of important subjects of deep interest to both.

The court of inquiry, which is to investigate the sinking of the cruiser *Yankee*, of the Boston navy yard, is president, will meet at the Boston navy yard next Monday, after first having visited the wrecked vessel for inspection. Commander Marsh is the senior-in-law of Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, retired.

The president today nominated Geo. E. Work to be collector of internal revenue for the district of West Virginia.

That the story told by Mrs. Rachel M. Worack, of Philadelphia, to the effect that her daughter, Mary Ryland, was married to the late Adolphus Hay, son of former Secretary of State John Hay, is false, is the statement made today by Mrs. J. W. Wadsworth, jr., sister of the late Mr. Hay. Mrs. Wadsworth says that the late Secretary Hay made a painstaking investigation of the story at the time it was told, several years ago, and he found that there was not a word of truth in it.

The question of proper police protection of American sailors while on their liberty in Panama has been satisfactorily settled. Through Mr. Arosemena, the Panama minister, the State Department has been assured that every protection possible will be given the American sailors from the Pacific fleet, while in the harbor of Panama. Regret was expressed over the incident of the killing of an American sailor last September, in which the police were said to have figured. Practically the entire police force of Panama City have been dismissed, and the four men implicated in the sailor's death, have been ordered up for trial. The question of properly paying for the incident, and the indemnity \$25,000 demanded by this government for the life of the sailor, will be settled later.

Senator Bourne today introduced a bill providing that the salary of the president be increased to \$100,000 a year and that of the vice-president to \$25,000 a year.

Sixtieth Congress.

Washington, Dec. 16. SENATE.

The Senate made an agreement today to adjourn until Saturday, with the understanding that no business shall be transacted except that a report may be submitted by the chairman of the census committee.

Senator Davis gave notice that on January 26, he will speak on his bill to restrain pools, trusts and combinations.

The Senate adopted an order returning to the State, War, and Justice Departments all the original documents and papers accompanying the president's recent message on the Panama Canal which were not printed.

The Postal Bank bill was taken up as the unfinished business and Senator Burkett, Nebraska, spoke at length in support of the measure.

HOUSE.

The House today administered its formal rebuke to the president for his insinuation, in his annual message, that members of Congress were afraid of investigation by the secret service.

Resolutions were adopted, as prepared by the select committee, of which Mr. Perkins is chairman, calling upon the president for any evidence he may have, connecting any member of the House with corrupt action in his official capacity. The president is also asked to inform the House whether he has instituted proceeding for the punishment of any such member.

The resolutions read as follows: "Whereas there was contained in the sundry civil appropriation bill which passed Congress at its last session, and became a law, a reference to employment of the secret service in the Treasury Department and;

"Whereas in the last annual message of the president of the United States to the House of Congress, it was stated in reference to that provision, (Here the original phrases are quoted) and;

"Whereas the plain meaning of the above words is that the majority of the congressmen were in fear of being investigated by secret service men and that Congress, as a whole, was actuated by that motive in enacting the provision in question and, Whereas, your committee appointed to consider those statements of the president and to report to the House cannot find in the hearings before committee, nor in the records of the House or Senate, any justification of this impeachment of the honor and integrity of the Congress and, Whereas your committee would prefer, in order to make an intelligent and comprehensive report, last to the president as well as to the Congress, to have all the information which the president may have to communicate, now therefore,

"Be it resolved, that the House be requested to transmit to the House any evidence upon which he based his statement that the chief argument in favor of the provision, was that the congressmen did not themselves wish to be investigated by secret service men, and also to transmit to the House any evidence connecting any member of the House of Representatives of the 60th Congress with corrupt action in his official capacity and to inform the House whether he has instituted proceedings for the punishment of any such individual by the courts, or has reported any such alleged delinquencies to the House of Representatives."

Mr. Perkins, in submitting the resolutions, said he hoped they would be adopted without debate. He then yielded the floor to Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams said he thought the words used by the president in the message were an unjustified imputation of the honor and honesty of the legislative branch of the government. "So far as this committee has been able to discover," said Mr. Williams, "there is not a scintilla of evidence to support that imputation. It is only fair to the president and to Congress to afford him an opportunity as presented in the resolution to give the committee all information in his possession relating to the matter. The American people have to know if the Congress has been corrupt, that it is corrupt."

After a short debate the resolution was adopted unanimously with the exception of one clause, upon which the vote was 270 to 14.

War Declared.

Wilemstad, Curacao, Dec. 17.—Conflicting stories were received from Curacao today regarding the uprising against President Castro. One report says that the declaration of martial law has had the effect of curbing the people, while later reports say that the revolutionary forces are actively, though quietly, at work, and that the present calm is but the forerunner to a demonstration that will sweep Castro from the throne.

Curacao is badly crippled as the result of the rioting that took place the first half of the week. Scores of citizens who were known to be friends of Castro have fled to the interior for safety, and in another outbreak such as Monday's their property would fall a prey to the rioters.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Venezuela has declared war against Holland, according to advices received at the State Department today. This news is contained in the dispatch from Secretary Paxton Hibbin, secretary of the legation at Bogota, Colombia. He states that the Colombian Minister of Foreign Affairs, "has received the following telegram from Caracas, dated December 14:

"In view of the blockade established and a capture by the blockade of a Venezuelan vessel, the head of the government at Venezuela after assuming extraordinary powers for the defense of the country, has declared a state of war."

Bandits Shot.

Toledo, O. Dec. 17.—Two bandits shot and seriously wounded Thomas Regan, a motorman, and robbed Bert Higley, a conductor, in east Toledo early today. The two employees were alone on the car at the time, but engaged the highwaymen in a desperate hand-to-hand battle. One of the bandits successfully succeeded in overpowering Higley and forcing to turn over his cash, while the other, freeing himself from Regan's clutch, fired a bullet through the motorman's neck and fled. Both escaped.

News of the Day.

There were 1,094 vessel disasters in the United States in the last fiscal year, resulting in a property loss of \$1,863,790 and the loss of 22 lives.

Valuable surveying instruments, maps, charts, and data, amounting to many thousands of dollars, were damaged or destroyed by fire and water last night, when a fire broke out in the offices of the Geological Survey, at 1830 F street, Washington.

It was announced in New York yesterday that the offer of a Cabinet place to Congressman Barton, of Ohio, had been withdrawn by Judge Taft. Charles P. Taft, following a conference between his brother and five of the republican state leaders of Ohio, said he was "going to win" the U. S. Senate seat from Joseph B. Foraker.

A collision between a freight and passenger train, near Limoges, France, yesterday, resulted in the death of fifteen persons and the injury of thirty others. Fire broke out after the accident, and most of the victims, including the engineer of the passenger train were pinned beneath the wreckage and burned to death. The great heat interfered very seriously with the work of rescue. The collision occurred in the Pouch tunnel, between Limoges and Brive.

With their money gone and no clothing for themselves and their two unfortunate children, Floretta Whaley and Jere Cook, the deposed rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead, L. I., have made a last appeal to Mrs. K. Whaley, the grandmother of Floretta, for funds, this time the appeal coming through an attorney of Hartford, Conn., W. Emerson, who told the grandmother of Floretta, a pitiful tale about their being in need of funds and the children also suffering. The only reply Mr. Emerson received from the old lady was that she would never send money to Floretta for Cook to use, but that Floretta could come home at any time. Cook and the girl are now in San Francisco and have two children.

Virginia News.

Mrs. Annie Sheppard Lorty, widow of Captain Warren S. Lorty, of Harrisonburg, died at the Virginia Hospital in Richmond yesterday.

Maj. Samuel J. C. Moore, former judge of the Clarke county Court, who was a gallant Confederate soldier, rising from lieutenant to staff officer of Gen. Stonewall Jackson's staff, is critically ill at his home in Berryville. He is eighty-four years old.

The Wilz monument, presented by the Georgia Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, to R. E. Lee Camp, Confederate Veterans, will probably arrive in Richmond the early part of next week and will at once be placed in Hollywood cemetery.

At Carmel Methodist Episcopal Church, near Kinale, Westmoreland county, Mr. George W. Douglas, a prominent young farmer of Westmoreland, and Miss Alice E. Croley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Croley, of near Kinale, were married. Rev. H. H. Smith performed the ceremony.

Burgins made another call upon Riverton Tuesday night and departed with a supply of other people's goods without leaving their addresses. The houses of William E. Bennett, D. Henry Wright, Samuel C. Woolman and John C. S. Davis, were entered and despoiled of clothing, silverware and other valuables worth about \$500.

A writ of error and supersedeas issued on Tuesday from the Court of Appeals in the case of Oppenheimer against the London National Bank, from the circuit court of the county of London. The record sets forth that C. W. Jenkins, a farmer of that county, transferred to his son all his personal property, including crops and stock, for \$2,500. The bank was one of the creditors of the farmer, and the transfer was attacked on the ground that it was fraudulent and void.

Messrs. Davis & Davis, Washington patent attorneys, report the grant, this week, to citizens of this state, of the following patents: M. F. Bonzano, of Goshen, rail-fencing; W. T. Glover, of Petersburg, seed-pump-bulking apparatus; J. H. Huddle, of East Radford, lever adjustment for wagon-brakes; A. L. Hervey, of Richmond, pump-lock; J. E. Johnson, jr., of Long Dale, blast-furnace; C. W. McVay, of Lynchburg, pipe-coupler and making the same; and J. Gibson, jr., of Richmond, blotting-paper.

CONGRESSIONAL.

The Senate yesterday informally agreed to postpone until after the Christmas holidays action on the bills providing for the re-enlistment of the negro soldiers who were discharged in 1906.

President Roosevelt again sent a special message regarding certain information on file in the War Department, relating to the Panama canal affair. The letters are from Paul Charlton, law officer of the Insular Bureau, submitting memoranda for the secretary of war. They bear the date of December 8, 1908, and state that a careful examination of the records of the transaction whereby the canal property was purchased, failed to show any minute of the final meeting of the new Panama Canal Company held in Paris, April 24, 1904.

In the House the debate on the penal code bill was resumed. Garrett amendment prohibiting mails from carrying quotations and future was defeated.

Abdul Hamid today opened the new parliament at Constantinople.

Kaiser Takes Pledge.

Berlin, Dec. 17.—Emperor William has become a teetotaler, according to a semi-official announcement that came from the Potsdam Palace today. He has pledged himself to abstain from alcoholic drinks for the rest of his life. This decision, his confidants say, was reached during the recent revolutionary period, when the emperor underwent.

DANDRUFF CAUSED BY A GERM.

A New Discovery That Kills the Germ and Prevents Baldness.

EPISCOPAL COUNCIL.

After the Gazette's report of the proceedings of the Episcopal Council in session in St. Paul's Church closed yesterday evening it was moved that Dr. Blackford's resolution for three preliminary ballots be laid on the table, which was done.

A resolution to fix the salary of the coadjutor bishop at \$5,000 per annum with travelling expenses and \$600 for house rent was accepted and referred to the finance committee. The finance committee then retired and shortly made their report that the amounts suggested by the council for the salary and other expenses of the coadjutor bishop be held as a minimum. The report was accepted and Judge J. K. M. Norton moved that the salary and other expenses be established as stated in the resolution. This was carried. Nominations for the coadjutor bishop were next in order with nominating speeches limited to five minutes. Rev. J. Y. Downman, of Richmond, then nominated Rev. Arthur Lloyd, D. D., general secretary of the Board of Missions. This was seconded by Judge Wallace, of Fredericksburg. Both stated that they had received assurance from reliable sources that Dr. Lloyd would honor a call to the episcopate in the diocese of Virginia. Rev. W. B. Lee put the name of Rev. C. B. Bryan, D. D., in nomination. This was followed by the nomination of Rev. Berryman Green, D. D., of the Theological Seminary, by Rev. W. J. Morton, of Christ Church in this city, which was seconded by Dr. Blackford, of the High School. Mr. Morton supported Dr. Green in an excellent and telling speech, commending him most highly, which was ably seconded in a short speech from Dr. Blackford. Rev. Wm. M. Clark was then placed in nomination by Rev. T. C. Darst, being seconded by Mr. Caskie, of Richmond. This was followed by the nomination of Rev. J. Y. Downman by Mr. Peter Mayo and of Rev. E. L. Goodwin by Dr. Moncure, of Fairfax. Judge Wright, of Tappahannock, made a strong speech in favor of Dr. Green. Other speeches were made in favor of Dr. Lloyd, Rev. W. M. Clark and Dr. C. B. Bryan, after which the tellers were appointed about a quarter before five, the tellers for the clergy being Rev. Messrs. Gray and Osgood, and for the laity Messrs. John G. Williams and Charles Cary.

The first ballot was reported at 5:25 p. m. The clerical ballot was reported as follows: Whole number, 69; necessary to a choice, 35; Dr. Green, 34; Dr. A. S. Lloyd, 9; Dr. C. B. Bryan, 11; Rev. W. M. Clark, 6; Dr. Grammer, 1; Rev. R. A. Goodwin, 1; Rev. Robert Coupland, of Baltimore, 3; W. O. Brown, of Brazil, 2.

First ballot, lay—Whole number, 61; necessary to a choice, 31; Dr. Green, 24; Dr. Lloyd, 15; Dr. Bryan, 8; Rev. W. M. Clark, 3; Rev. R. H. Goodwin, 3; Dr. Brown, 1; Rev. J. Y. Downman, 1; Rev. James Morris, 3; Rev. J. P. Tyler, 1; Rev. J. J. Lloyd, 1. There was no election.

The council then took a recess until half past seven o'clock.

NIGHT SESSION.

The council resumed business at 7:30 o'clock with Bishop Gibson presiding. Rev. James W. Morris, of Richmond, placed the name of the Rev. W. Cabell Brown, D. D., of Brazil, in nomination. This was seconded by Revs. Thomas Semmes and H. B. Lee.

The second ballot was then taken and the tellers announced the vote as follows: Clerical 69, necessary to a choice 35. Dr. Berryman Green 40, Dr. Lloyd 5, Rev. W. M. Clark 5, Dr. Brown 10, Rev. Robert Coupland 3. Lay vote, total 56, necessary to a choice 29. Dr. Green 28, Dr. A. S. Lloyd 14, Dr. Brown 7, Dr. Bryan 4, Rev. W. M. Clark 1, Dr. John J. Lloyd 1, and Rev. R. W. Forsythe 1.

There being no election on the second ballot, (after which was announced a few minutes after eight) on account of the lay vote failing to give any nominee the number necessary to or above that requisite for a choice a third ballot was ordered.

There was some discussion on the place where the coadjutor bishop should reside and Rev. H. B. Lee strongly recommended Charlottesville on account of the University and the building of an Episcopal church near the University.

The third ballot was announced at 8:25 o'clock when the lay vote was given as follows: The whole vote 56; necessary to a choice 29. Dr. Green 39, Dr. A. S. Lloyd 9, Dr. W. Cabell Brown 7, Dr. C. B. Bryan 1. Shortly after this the clerical vote was announced as follows: Whole vote 69, necessary to a choice 35. Dr. Green 56, Dr. A. S. Lloyd 2, Rev. W. M. Clark 2, Dr. Bryan 1, Dr. W. Cabell Brown 3, Rev. Robert Coupland 5. As Dr. Berryman Green had received on this ballot both clerical and lay votes in excess of those necessary to a choice he was declared elected to the office of coadjutor-bishop by Bishop Gibson.

The council at once rose and sang the doxology, "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow." Dr. Crawford, dean of the Seminary, moved in an excellent speech that the vote be unanimous. This was seconded by Professor Massie and a rising vote was taken by the council to that effect. The Rev. Messrs. W. M. Clark, E. L. Goodwin, and W. D. Smith were appointed by the bishop to present the Rev. Berryman Green, D. D., to the council. This was accordingly done and Dr. Green addressed the council with much feeling in a few well chosen words. He asked the council to give him a few days for the consideration of this call to the high office of bishop which, however, in the way it has come about appears most strongly to him to be the call of the Holy Spirit.

The testimonials required by the general convention were then signed by the members of the council after which the discussion of a place of residence for the coadjutor-bishop was resumed. Rev. H. B. Lee in addition to Charlottesville also suggested Alexandria and the Valley of Virginia, as proper places of residence for the coadjutor-bishop. Rev. W. M. Clark moved as a substitute that the whole question of place of residence be left to the judgment of the coadjutor-bishop himself. The diocese can trust to the soundness of his decision in this matter. Rev. H. B. Lee's resolution was laid on the table and Mr. Clark's substitute was carried. A vote of thanks was returned to the finance committee on motion of Judge Wright for its work.

Judge Wright paid a beautiful tribute to the memory of Mr. Joseph Bryan and it was ordered by council that a wreath of flowers be placed on his grave in the church yard at Brookhill

near Richmond. The usual vote of thanks was cordially and heartily given to the rector and vestry of St. Paul's Church, the other churches in the city and the good people of Alexandria for their generous hospitality. The council then adjourned sine die at 9:45 after prayer and the pronouncing of the benediction by the bishop.

This council was characterized by a wonderful spirit of harmony and, and the desire for the election of the Rev. Dr. Green was a dominating influence leading to the vote for his unanimous election. There were several visitors from the diocese of Washington. Among these were noted Rev. A. S. Johns, Thomas J. Packard D. D., Dr. Duncan, David Burr, Henry Thomas and C. H. Holmead.

Among those attending the council, though not a delegate, was Thomas Nelson Page, of Washington, and it was generally understood that it was through his efforts that the name of the Rev. Mr. Lloyd, of New York, was placed in nomination.

Berryman Green is a son of the late Col. W. E. Green, of Charlottesville, where he was born in 1864. He entered the Theological Seminary in 1890 and three years afterward was ordained deacon by Bishop Whittle and the next year was ordained priest. He has had charge of the churches at Tappahannock, Leesburg and Alexandria, serving as rector of Christ Church, this city, for six-and-a-half years. In 1902 he resigned as rector of Christ Church, having been chosen professor of the English Bible at the Episcopal Theological Seminary.

SENATE RESENTS IT.

A sweeping investigation of the Secret Service and the use of private detectives by the federal departments was authorized by the Senate yesterday afternoon, together with specific directions for consideration of the action that is to be taken respecting that portion of the president's message criticizing Congress for restricting the use of secret service men to treasury investigations and the protection of the president.

The resolution calling for this investigation was offered by Senator Aldrich, of Rhode Island, floor leader of the republicans in the Senate, and was adopted without a dissenting vote. In the accompanying debate, in which Messrs. Aldrich, Hale, Bailey, Culberson, Bacon and McLaurin participated, with Senator Tillman interjecting pungent questions from time to time, public declaration was made of the deep feeling of resentment which has pervaded both ends of the Capitol ever since the objectionable portion of the president's message was read in Congress.

Over and over again the language used by the president was characterized as an insult to Congress. Senator Bailey told the Senate the expressions from the president constituted a "most wanton insult." Senator Culberson, of Texas, floor leader of the minority, said "it was a deliberate, a studied and a gratuitous insult to the Congress."

Senator Tillman told his colleagues the president was investigating them "generally," that Mr. Roosevelt regarded them as "a lot of rascals who need investigation." Then Mr. Tillman added, "Now, there may be men here who feel that way, but God knows I do not." And the crowded galleries, packed to the walls, burst into laughter.

The keenest and most rapid-like thrust was that which came from Senator Bacon, of Georgia, a member of the foreign relations committee, when he declared:

"Mr. President, it is my deliberate judgment that if the king of England were to send such a message to the Parliament of Great Britain there would be but one thing which would shield him from the loss of his crown—that would be the appointment of a regent."

Through its action of yesterday the Senate has, therefore, placed itself in entire accord with the action already taken by the House of Representatives. Both branches of Congress have now referred the objectionable portion of the president's message to committees for consideration and report. The House chose to have the matter handled by the Perkins select committee, which met yesterday and is getting ready to report, while the Senate placed the matter in charge of its powerful committee on appropriations with explicit instructions not only to report what action, in its judgment, should be taken, but with the further command that the committee embark upon a sweeping investigation of alleged misuse of the secret service by the administration.

When the Gazette report of the Senate proceeding closed yesterday the Aldrich resolution and the Culberson amendment had been laid aside. Later Senator Keen again reported the Aldrich resolution, saying it had been amended by the committee on audit and control of the contingent expenses and that Senator Culberson's objection to it had been withdrawn.

Mr. Aldrich urged immediate consideration, and this brought the whole matter before the Senate. It resulted in a debate, in which no republican lifted his voice in defense of the president, and in which only two republicans—Aldrich and Hale—participated. Feeling was just as strong on the republican as on the democratic side, but the majority contented itself with allowing the democratic side to do the talking. After an hour's debate the Aldrich resolution was passed.

WEDDING.

Miss Ella Valer Porter, daughter of Mrs. Robert Porter, was married yesterday afternoon to Mr. William Payne Meredith, son of the late Representative E. E. Meredith, of Virginia. The ceremony was performed at 4 o'clock in All Souls' Church, Washington, by Rev. U. G. B. Pierce, and was followed by a reception in the home of the bride's mother in Vermont avenue. Miss Anna Porter, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor, and the bride was given in marriage by her brother, Mr. Paul V. Porter. The best man was Mr. Edward Tredick, of Philadelphia, and the ushers were Mr. E. Bridge Jordan, Mr. Nelson H. Sherman, of New York; Mr. Robert Doe, Mr. Robert M. Heth, Mr. Thomas P. Morgan, jr., Mr. Charles E. Brock, Mr. Edward G. Porter, Mr. Alvin O. Porter, Mr. Oscar C. Porter, Mr. Herman H. Porter, and Mr. E. Lee Trinkle, of Virginia.

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Today's Telegraphic News

No Compromise Yet.

[Special dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.] Richmond, Va., Dec. 17.—It now transpires that the railroad lawyers at their conference with the Corporation Commissioners and the Attorney General yesterday made no definite overture looking towards a compromise of the pending litigation, though it is no longer a secret that transportation companies are seriously embarrassed by the present situation and are far from feeling that they have the whip hand in the fight. The attorneys for the railroads now purpose instituting new proceedings and beginning the whole fight over before the Corporation Commission. Such a contrast, it should be explained, would be an appeal to the equity of that tribunal and would be based on present conditions. If such new proceedings are instituted and the decision of the commission is adverse to the railroads, then, according to the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court, they can appeal to the Supreme Court of Virginia and from that tribunal to the federal courts. During all this period covered by such a fight, the present two cent rate would continue.

The Hains Trial.

Flushing, L. I., Dec. 17.—One of the nastiest scandals in the history of New York city is impending in the trial of Thornton J. Hains, the author, jointly charged with his brother, Captain P. C. Hains, jr., with slaying William E. Annis. The whole grows out of the alleged tampering with witnesses. Positive declarations that such things have happened are being made by lawyers on both sides, and the whole will certainly be made a matter for grand jury investigation. Before the first witness could be sworn Justice Crane ruled out the model of the Bay Side Club which has been used by the defense, declaring that it was all out of proportion and would mislead the jury. Maloney pleaded earnestly to have it admitted, but the justice was firm and the defense suffered a decidedly serious set back.

After physicians who examined Annis's wounds had testified, Mrs. W. E. Annis was called to the stand. Tall and erect, dressed in black silk skin coat and heavy black dress and crepe trimmed hat, she made a decided impression on everyone as she slowly walked to the stand. She laid aside her big coat, revealing a janetique figure clad in a gown that distinctly accentuated her charms. The questions propounded were in reference to the death of her husband at the hospital after the shooting.

Later accompanied by her sister, Miss Von Hanebein, an even more beautiful girl than her sister, who came in the court with her, Mrs. Annis went back down stairs to the district attorney's office to wait until Darrin is ready to have her tell all her story.

An eye witness's story of the yacht club tragedy was the real feature of the morning session. Charles Borchfield, a clubmate and sailing companion of Annis, positively swore that while Captain Hains was shooting Annis, he and his fellow members were driven to land and kept from coming to Annis's rescue by Thornton Hains with his revolver.

Murderer Lynched.

Monticello, Ky., Dec. 17.—Eimer Hill, charged with assaulting and murdering 13-year-old Mamie Womack near Russell Spring, was taken from the local jail early today by an armed mob and after confessing the crime hanged to a tree. Hill at first said he was innocent. It was learned here this morning that Hill's body is now hanging to a tree about two miles out of Jamestown, twenty miles from Monticello. Hill was a white man.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Gen. Itoyex one of Japan's most distinguished soldiers, died at Tokio, this morning age 57 years.

Doctor Deutcher was today elected President of the Federal Council at Bern in Switzerland. His term is one year.

"Mount Stuart," a colonial residence, the old homestead of the Grymes family on the Potomac river, one of the landmarks of King George county, was destroyed by fire on Tuesday. The mansion was unoccupied but had recently been put in thorough repair, and had been rented. The property was owned by W. D. Grymes. The origin of the fire is unknown. An old landmark is gone and many will regret to hear of the destruction of the homestead around which clustered so many happy memories and where so many interesting families were reared.

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Women's \$29.50 Suits.....	\$14.75
Women's \$32.50 Suits.....	\$16.25
Women's \$35.00 Suits.....	\$17.50
Women's \$37.50 Suits.....	\$18.75
Women's \$39.50 Suits.....	\$19.75
Women's \$42.50 Suits.....	